



Cranbourne Inc

TUTOR AND MEMBER NEWSLETTER

February 2024

News Flash

Our first lunch club for 2024 will be held at 12:30pm, at Trios Bistro, on 28 February 2024

All members are welcome to attend. It is a great opportunity to meet other members from different courses. Contact admin@u3acranbourne.org to RSVP.

Membership fees are due now. Thank you to everyone who has already paid their fees. We have received more than 1/2 of the expected fees which is amazing.

Payment details - U3a Cranbourne - BSB 633 000 Account No. 140923715.

President's message

Welcome back to all our members for 2024. Now that all classes have resumed it is great to have the rooms buzzing with chatter and laughter. Our Monday Art class has new members and Jo Wood is very helpful with everyone. The artwork produced in class is really lovely, Happy Birthday Jo for this week.

Our line dancing and Social Ballroom dance class are off to a really good start this year with new members joining and enjoying the dancing, Tai Chi class is progressing well and everyone has enjoyed David's teaching style, If you still owe the extra \$45 for this class, please pay next week.

Since our last committee we had the end of year Christmas lunch at Beaconsfield Sports Club. This was a fantastic day and the meal was delicious, and all who came are very keen to return there again this year. We will make sure to secure our booking soon for early December.

Our team of helpers have been very busy during the Christmas break and the new cupboards/ drawers in room 3 have been installed and equipment placed in appropriate areas for the various classes. Thanks Steve and Ian for all your carpentry skills. It was very much appreciated.

If you have paid your fee for the year (\$50) your receipt and badge will be placed on the attendance sheet in the class pigeon hole foyer. Your leader/tutor will hand them out at the next session. If you have lost or broken your plastic holder you can get a new one from the office. If you have not paid fees yet you can hand money to the office or if no one is in the office when you are there, you can put cash or a cheque in the securely locked letterbox on the office door. Please make sure your name is clearly marked on the envelope. You can also pay by direct debit into the U3a bank account. The banking details you need are - **U3a Cranbourne - BSB 633 000 Account No. 140923715.**

Our monthly lunch club will have our first outing to Trio's this time on 28th February at 12.30pm. Please send your reply along if you wish to come. It should be a lovely day out and the meals are always nice there,

Welcome back everyone and enjoy the friendly company of all classes at Cranbourne U3A.

Helen Bell

President.

New members

We wish to welcome our new members and invite them to check out the timetable of courses available on the website (hard copy is available just inside the reception room doors).

Our first **Lunch Club** will be held on 28 February and it is a great opportunity to meet other members who are not in your class.

You can join classes at any time through the year provided it has vacancies and new classes are added frequently. Get in quick – while classes have vacancies.

Line Dancing is at capacity and not able to accept new members.

Your membership entitles you to join in all classes held in the rooms at no extra cost (except Tai Chi).

Short courses are available ie. **Ballroom Dancing for Beginners** is paid for through a council grant so no extra charge this term – this class runs until end March.

***We still have vacancies in Tai Chi on Monday at 1pm** (small fee \$5 per week to cover Tutors Fee)

Contact courses@u3acranbourne.org.au for details or to register for either of these short courses.

Would you like to learn Resinraft? A new course will be starting soon. Put your name on the list on the noticeboard if you are interested. Day of the week will depend on the number of members interested. Our tutor is very flexible.

Volunteers Required

With the large number of members and new members joining we would love to recruit more volunteer tutors /group leaders and helpers. If you have any skills that you would like to share please email admin@u3acranbourne.org.au, speak to Helen or a committee member.

We have a vacancy for a Lunch Club coordinator. Contact courses@u3acranbourne.org.au for more details.

Craft Room Update

The Craft room update is almost complete. Just a few more small jobs to do and a mound of cardstock and paper to sort through. We now have space behind the chairs for members with walkers to be able to access the supplies in the new drawers and a wide passage way to the emergency exit doors.



We are very grateful for all the help we received from our members and families and of course to **Ian Bell and Steve Morris** for their hard work building all the new cabinets and putting them in place. We hope you will all pop in and have a look at the new room and maybe consider taking a class in the room.

Presentation to Members –

Terry Dixon has contacted us to ask if we would like him to speak to our members in regard to choosing the best telephone, mobile, internet plan. He has spoken at other U3As and had very positive feedback.

The date is to be advised, but if you think you would be interested in attending, please email courses@u3acranbourne.org.au or put your name on the list on the noticeboard and we will contact you when we have a date for the presentation.

If you have any questions, suggestions for new courses or if you wish to volunteer in anyway please email them to: admin@u3acranbourne.org.au or speak to Helen or a committee member and we will help.

Welcome back and we hope you enjoy making new friends, learning new skills and continuing your activities in 2024.

President and Committee, U3A Cranbourne